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Group Art Unit: 2128
Docket No.: SCEI 3.0-170

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: :
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Keisuke Inoue :
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Application No.: 10/812,177 : Group Art Unit: 2128
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Filed: March 29, 2004 : Examiner: S. A. Alhija
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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR :
ACHIEVING THERMAL MANAGEMENT :
USING PROCESSING TASK SCHEDULING :

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COMMUNICATION

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits the following comments with regard to the above-identified case. On June 21, 2007 applicant filed an amendment in the above-identified case. A final Office Action issued on September 11, 2007. Applicant will file a response to the final Office Action shortly.

Prior to filing the response, applicant would like to note that there that there are several pending applications for the same assignee which contain similar subject matter to the instant application. The applications are U.S. Patent Application No. 10/812,155 ("the '155 application"), U.S. Patent Application No. 10/959,700 ("the '700 application"), and U.S. Patent Application No. 10/801,308 ("the '308 application").

The '155 application received a final Office Action from Examiner Stoynov in Group Art Unit 2116 dated June 13,

2007. A reply to the final Office Action was filed on October 9, 2007.

The '700 application received a final Office Action from Examiner Eric Chang in Group Art Unit 2116 dated June 1, 2007. A reply to the final Office Action was filed on August 24, 2007.

The '308 application has yet to receive an Office Action on the merits.


In view of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 2001.06(b) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, and the fact that different Examiners are assigned to the '155 and '700 applications, applicant submits the following Exhibits herewith:

- (1) a copy of the most recent Office Action in the '155 application;
- (2) a copy of the claims as most recently presented in the '155 application via the amendment of October 9, 2007;
- (3) a copy of the most recent Office Action in the '700 application;
- (4) a copy of the claims as presently presented in the most recent amendment filed in the '700 application; and
- (5) a copy of the claims as originally filed in the '308 application.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the above, he is invited to telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000.

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